



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **SHIBANUMA, Takashi, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1711**

Serial No.: **10/511,442**

Examiner: **John M. COONEY**

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**FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SYNTHETIC RESIN FOAM, BLOWING AGENT  
AND PREMIX**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 6, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **March 6, 2006**, extended to **July 6, 2006** by a **One (1) month** Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: